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# Investing in the United Nations for a stronger Organization worldwide: detailed report

## Report of the Secretary-General

*Summary*

The present report updates the analysis of the effect of consolidation on reimbursement to troop- and formed police-contributing countries provided in annex VIII to document A/60/846/Add.3. It indicates that if peacekeeping accounts had been consolidated into a single account, an additional 7 per cent reimbursement could have been effected to troop- and formed police-contributing countries for a total of $84.4 million.

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## Consolidation of peacekeeping accounts

1. The Secretary-General, in the addendum on financial management practices to his report of 12 May 2006 entitled "Investing in the United Nations for a stronger Organization worldwide: detailed report" (A/60/846/Add.3), proposed the consolidation of peacekeeping accounts to improve cash management and operational flexibility.

2. In its resolution 60/283 of 7 July 2006, the General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the report of that proposal until the second part of its resumed sixty-first session.

3. Annex VIII to document A/60/846/Add.3 illustrated the effect of consolidation on reimbursement to troop- and formed police-contributing countries for 2004 and 2005. The annex to the present report shows the effect of consolidation on reimbursement to troop- and formed police-contributing countries for 2006. The consolidation of peacekeeping accounts into a single account would have permitted more consistent and timely reimbursement to troop- and formed police-contributing countries. Since consolidation results in the cash in peacekeeping accounts being commingled, there would no longer have been a need to defer payments for troops and contingent-owned equipment for cash-poor missions such as the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK), the United Nations Mission for the Referendum in Western Sahara (MINURSO) and the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (UNOMIG). In addition, more robust payments would have been possible in respect of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC), the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (UNOCI) and the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP). A consolidated cash pool would have permitted an additional 7 per cent reimbursement of certified liabilities for troops and contingent-owned equipment.

4. **The General Assembly is requested to take note of the information contained in the present report.**

# Annex I

## Table illustrating the effect of consolidation on reimbursement to troop- and formed police-contributing countries for 2006

### I. Actual payments made during 2006

| | *Payments (Thousands of US$)* | *Period covered* | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | *Personnel costs* | *COE*[a] |
| MINUSTAH | 151 083 | Aug-06 | Oct-06 |
| MONUC | 325 283 | Apr-06 | Sep-06 |
| ONUB | 79 914 | Oct-06 | Nov-06 |
| UNAMSIL | 7 090 | Dec-05 | Mar-06 |
| UNDOF | 14 283 | Oct-06 | Sep-06 |
| UNFICYP | 6 494 | Apr-06 | May-06 |
| UNIFIL | 24 922 | Aug-06 | Sep-06 |
| UNMEE | 57 488 | Oct-06 | Sep-06 |
| UNMIK | 21 249 | Dec-04 | Sep-04 |
| UNMIL | 230 539 | Jul-06 | Dec-06 |
| UNMIS | 117 311 | Oct-06 | Dec-06 |
| UNMISET | 2 160 | Jul-05 | Apr-06 |
| UNOCI | 108 523 | Jul-06 | Jun-06 |
| UNOMIG | — | NA | NA |
| **Total** | **1 146 339** | | |

### II. Additional payments in respect of active missions enabled by the consolidation

| | *Payments (Thousands of US$)* | *Period covered* | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | *Personnel costs* | *COE*[a] |
| MINURSO | 1 243 | Jul-06 | NA |
| MONUC | 56 031 | Jul-06 | NA |
| UNFICYP | 3 272 | Jul-06 | Aug-06 |
| UNMIK | 19 724 | Jul-06 | Aug-06 |
| UNOCI | 4 018 | NA | Aug-06 |
| UNOMIG | 142 | NA | Aug-06 |
| **Total** | **84 430** | | |
| II over I (percentage) | 7 | | |

[a] Represents the latest month for which claims have been certified.